stage of consideration by the Government. Apart from this, the Ministry of Development of North-Eastern Region (DoNER) is also providing funds for the road development in the North-Eastern States for which, technical approval is accorded by this Ministry.

(b) to (d) It is premature to give details of the above programme.

Four laning of roads in Rajasthan

†2641. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the four laning of the Jaipur-Ringus-Sikar (NH-11), Jaipur-Kota-Jhalawar (NH-12 and Byavar-Pali-Sirohi-Abu Road (NH-14) has been proposed under National Highway Development Project-III; and

(b) if so, when the work would get started by granting the sanction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Yes, Sir except for Pindwara-Abu Road section of National Highway-14 which has been taken up for four laning under NHDP Phase II as part of East-West corridor.

(b) Consultancy work for preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for Jaipur-Reengus Section of NH-11 has been awarded. Action for fixing of DPR Consultant for Jaipur-Tonk section of NH-12 has been initiated. National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) has been asked to take up DPR work for Tonk-Kota-Jhalawar section of NH-12, Reengus-Sikar section of NH-11 and Beawar-Pali-Sirohi-Pindwara section of NH-14. It is too early to indicate the date of start of these works as DPR's are yet to be finalized.

As regards Pindwara-Abu Road section of NH-14, the work on the section kilometer 249.7 to 264 is likely to start by September 2005 and on section from kilometer 264 to 295 by January 2006.

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